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TORRANCE PERSONS AND PASTIMES

Comings, Goings and Doings of Folks Hereabouts

Mrs. Dorwin White and Mrs. Harry Bale were recent visitors in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy McCall of Santa Fe Springs were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Young of Cota avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Tomkins of Gramercy avenue spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Richhart of San Fernando.

Mrs. Effie Jane Hayden is recovering from an attack of pneumonia poisoning.

A Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Hobson of 1920 Andree avenue was O. O. Beckwith of Hollywood.

Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Black of Vista Highlands were Mr. and Mrs. Will Black of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. E. McKela and family, of Santa Barbara, were

Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE

New Series by WYNNE FERGUSON Author of 'Ferguson on Auction Bridge'

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ARTICLE No. 12. The test hands given in the preceding article have caused considerable comment and a wide difference of opinion. In hand No. 2, for example, where A's proper lead is in question, every card in his hand has been suggested as the proper lead. Needless to say, only one card should be led, so that a number of correspondents will be disappointed. Don't allow the difference in my opinion and your own to discourage you, however. Learn to profit by your mistakes and you cannot help but improve.

Hand No. 1. Hearts-8, 5, 3; Clubs-10, 7; Diamonds-9, 3; Spades-A, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3. Y: A: B: Z:

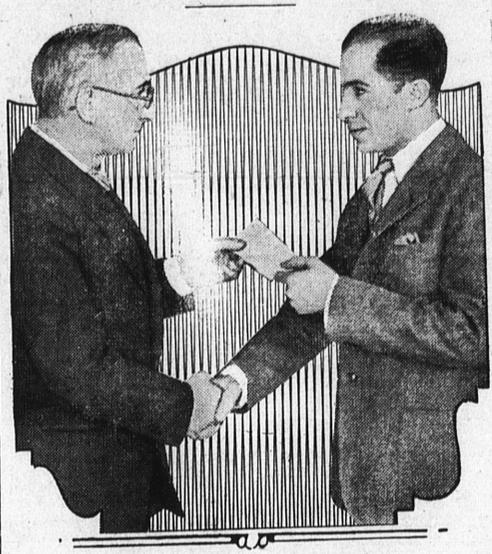
Hearts-K, Q, J, 9, 7; Clubs-A, K, 4; Diamonds-K, J, 10, 8, 2; Spades-none. No score, first game. Z dealt and bid one heart, A one spade, and Y and B passed. Z bid two diamonds, A two spades, and Y and B passed. Z now bid three diamonds, A passed, Y bid three hearts, B and Z passed, and A doubled. All passed and A opened the king of spades. How should Z plan the play of the hand? Before Z plays a card he should size up the situation very carefully. His reasoning should be somewhat as follows: 'A has bid two spades without any help from his partner and has doubled three hearts. The only cards that would justify his bid and double would be at least six spades to four honors, four hearts, probably to the ace ten, and the ace queen of diamonds. I can make eight tricks easily, as I must win one spade trick, two clubs tricks, four heart tricks, and one trump in dummy of club. The question is, how can I get the extra trick, in the diamond suit?' After this analysis, Z should win the first trick with the ace of spades. He should then lead two rounds of clubs and trump the third round in Y's hand. If A has only two clubs, he must play the ten of hearts to win the trick. If he does, Y should discard a diamond. Assume, however, that Y won the fourth trick. He should now play the three of diamonds in Y's hand. If he doesn't trump he will only make one in a difficult position, for if he does trump he will only make one trump trick, and if he doesn't trump he will only make one trump trick, and if he doesn't trump he will only make one trump trick.

Hand No. 2. Hearts-K, J, 8, 2; Clubs-A, J, 9, 3; Diamonds-K, J, 7, 6; Spades-7. Score, YZ 10, AB 6, rubber game. Z dealt and bid three spades, A and Y passed, B doubled, and all passed. What should A lead? To the writer this seems easy. Z has made an original bid of three spades and, if correct, it should indicate lack of help for hearts, the other major suit. For that reason the lead of the deuce of hearts seems to be A's best lead. The next best lead would be the ace of clubs.

Hand No. 3. Hearts-A, 9, 6, 2; Clubs-K, J, 8, 4; Diamonds-7; Spades-9, 7, 5, 2. No score, first game. Z dealt and bid one spade, A and Y passed, and B bid two diamonds, Z two spades, A three diamonds, Y three spades, and all passed. A opened the ace of diamonds and all follow. What should A now lead to the second trick? There are two possibilities for A to consider: First, the lead of the deuce of clubs. Z might finesse the jack, and if B has the queen AB may save game then and there. The objection to this lead is the fact that Z may have a singleton club and play the king from Y's hand. The second alternative is the lead of the trey of hearts. If B has the king queen of hearts AB can save game by making two heart tricks and the ace of clubs. The writer favors the lead of the trey of hearts, but would not criticize the lead of a low club. It is a very close hand.

Hand No. 4. Hearts-K, 7, 5, 3; Clubs-7; Diamonds-A, K, J, 8, 3; Spades-J, 7, 6. No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one club, A one diamond, Y one heart, and B one spade. Z now bid two hearts, A two spades, Y three hearts, and Z three spades. Z now bid four hearts. What should A now bid with the foregoing hand? This is another close hand. A has the choice of doubling four hearts or bidding four spades. It is the rubber game, so his decision is an important one. If he doubles four hearts, he cannot figure on winning more than one heart trick, two diamond tricks and one spade trick. In other words, if he doubles he cannot hope to defeat his opponents more than one trick. On the other hand, if he bids four spades he ought to make it. AB should not lose more than one heart trick, one club to make it. AB should not lose more than one heart trick, one club to make it. AB should not lose more than one heart trick, one club to make it.

Romance Gives New Deal in Life To a Former Sing Sing Prisoner



Vincent De Pascal (right), former Convict No. 76180, receiving a check for \$1000, first prize in a title contest.

Romance with a difference entered the game at Sing Sing prison recently, and has given a new deal in life to Vincent De Pascal, formerly Convict No. 76180.

Instead of leaving the prison with the usual suit of clothes and \$5, De Pascal left with more than \$1000 and with a sponsor who will help him re-establish his life and start right.

Miss Mary B. C. Byrne, a teacher in the school of pedagogy of the New York schools and student at Columbia University, is the sponsor. The \$1000 is a prize De Pascal has won in a motion picture title contest. The 'difference' in the romance is that there is no love story connected with the episode, but simply the interest of a woman, by nature and profession a student of sociology, in the welfare of a boy who made a serious mistake and who wants to redeem that mistake.

Wanted 'Front' Nearly two years ago De Pascal was advertising manager for a small concern near New York. There was more title than pay to the position, so he obtained more work at night. Still the money was not sufficient to enable him to live comfortably, he thought. Obsessed with the idea that a 'front' was necessary to obtain success, the young man, now 27

of a wealthy man. With clothing valued at more than \$800 obtained on the basis of this credit, De Pascal still found success and 'big money' holding aloof. Then the store discovered his deception, and he was sentenced to serve two years in the penitentiary.

Before going to prison De Pascal once had taken a prize offered by the New York Advertising Club; so, with plenty of time to think, he began entering other contests. Having some knowledge of writing and advertising, the youth won several small prizes in puzzle and essay contests.

Finally he submitted a criticism of a motion picture in a contest in which Miss Byrne also was entered. Searching the papers to see whether she had won, Miss Byrne found that first prize had gone to 'Convict No. 76180' at Sing Sing.

Interest Aroused Already interested in sociology, Miss Byrne sent some books to her unknown rival, and received in reply a letter which showed evidence of training and some ability in writing.

Her interest was aroused, and a correspondence followed. This led to closer acquaintance, and the teacher went to see him, and promised to assist him on his release.

De Pascal then entered another contest to obtain a title for a motion picture. De Pascal's title, 'When Fate Struck Three,' was selected as winner by the judges, editors of several trade magazines, and he was awarded the prize of \$1000.

The award came to the boy only a few days before his release, which had been set ahead seven months because of his good record while in prison.

NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS FOR FIRE HOSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids or proposals for furnishing to the City of Torrance 1000 feet of 2 1/2-in. Double Jacket Cotton Rubber-lined Fire Hose will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Torrance, until the hour of 7:30 P. M. January 18, 1926, at which time same will be opened and publicly declared.

The Board of Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids. By order of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance, A. H. BARTLETT, City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

McKINLEY INN

E. M. Christopher was a business visitor in Hollywood Tuesday.

Forrest McKinley is a holiday guest of Milton Munoz of Santa Ynez.

George E. Baker spent Sunday with friends at Redondo Beach.

Mrs. May McKinley attended the Christmas services held Sunday at the Temple Baptist Church in Los Angeles.

George Beck was a weekend guest of Los Angeles friends.

Miss Mary Thomas of Los Angeles is a guest during the holidays of her sister, Mrs. Austin W. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Webb of Amapola avenue were entertained Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. James Blakesly of Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKinley of Eshelman avenue are 'wearing' a new Ford coupe.

Advertisement for 'Hearty Christmas Greetings and Sincere Good Wishes for the New Year' by Harvel Guttenfelder, Torrance Auto Electric.

Advertisement for Chevrolet: 'Save now for a Chevrolet. We Pay You 6%'. Includes details about financing and a list of car models.

TORRANCE MOTOR CO. Advertisement: 'Salesroom at DAY AND NIGHT GARAGE. 1606 Cabrillo Ave., Torrance. Phone 127. QUALITY AT LOW COST'. Includes a list of car models and prices.

Advertisement for Southern California Gas Co.: 'DEPENDABLE INCOME FROM A SAFE INVESTMENT. 6% Preferred Stock at \$97.00. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS CO.'

Motor Coach Company TIME TABLE. Includes departure times for Long Beach and Wilmington, and a note about daily service.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hanson enjoyed a trip to San Juan Capistrano Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur Champlin of Anderson, Ind., was a guest last week of her sister, Mrs. W. C. Dolley.

Miss Lillian Fordice, a student nurse at the Angelus Hospital, spent the weekend at her home on Arlington avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Luck of 257th street, Lomita, were visitors at the Bale home on Carson street Sunday.

Howarth Snyder of Venice was a house guest last week of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Neelands of Gramercy avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bamber and daughter, of Riverside, were weekend guests of Mrs. H. E. Bamber of Amapola avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Young and family, of Cota avenue, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. McDonald of Compton.

Miss Marion Wright of Los Angeles is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wright, of Cota avenue.

ATWATER KENT RADIO

It appeals to men just as strongly whether they are electrical engineers or music lovers. It is a splendid job of design and construction and it gives splendid results. Get dad to drop in and let us give him a demonstration.

Advertisement for De Bra Radio Co.: 'Model 20 Compact. DE BRA RADIO CO. Carson and Cravens Torrance. Phone 73-J'. Includes an illustration of the radio.

Advertisement for First National Bank of Torrance: 'Merry Christmas. With grateful appreciation of all past favors received by us from you and for that priceless though intangible asset, YOUR GOODWILL, which we prize beyond measure, we seek to merit your continued confidence and aim to serve you faithfully in the future. First National Bank of Torrance'. Includes an illustration of a man and a woman.